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SUBJECT: FOREIGN SECRETARY MEHTA'S VISIT TO SAUDI ARABIA

1. BEGIN UNCLSSIFIED: INDIA FOREIGN SECRETARY JAGAT MEHTA
IS LEAVING TODAY (JULY 18) FOR RIYADH TO HOLD TALKS WITH
SAUDI OFFICIALS.

2. THE JULY 18 EDITION OF THE "INDIAN EXPRESS" CARRIES
A FRONT-PAGE ARTICLE BY ITS POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT,
SAEED NAQVI, SPECULATING ON THE PURPOSE OF MEHTA'S VISIT.
ACCORDING TO NAQVI, THE FOREIGN SECRETARY'S PURPOSE IS
TO "ELICIT THE SUPPORT AND COOPERATION OF AS MANY COUNTRIES
AS POSSIBLE, REPRESENTING THE BROAD IDEOLOGICAL SPECTRUM
WITHIN THE NON-ALIGNED CLUB", BEFORE THE NAM MINISTERIAL
MEETING IN BELGRADE. NAQVI NOTES THAT SINCE SAUDI ARABIA
REPRESENTS THE PRO-WESTERN FRINGE WITH THE NAM,
"COUNTRIES LIKE INDIA AND YUGOSLAVIA ... ARE MAKING
A CONCERTED BID TO MINIMIZE FRICTION AT THE BELGRADE
MEETING" IN LIGHT OF DIVISIONS WITHIN THE NAM OVER
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SUCH ISSUES AS FOREIGN INTERVENTION IN AFRICA.

3. FURTHER ON THE NAM, NAQVI WRITES THAT ZAIRE HAS
SENT A CIRCULAR TO NAM MEMBERS SUGGESTING THE
EXPULSION OF CUBA FROM THE MOVEMENT AND OPPOSING THE
HOLDING OF THE NEXT NAM SUMMIT IN HAVANA. HE ALSO
WRITES THAT PAKISTAN'S APPLICATION TO BE INVITED TO

BELGRADE AS A "GUEST", CONVEYED THROUGH SRI LANKA,
IS UNDER ACTIVE CONSIDERATION BY THE NON-ALIGNED
BUREAU. END UNCLASSIFIED.

4. BEGIN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE: WHEN AN EMBOFF RAISED
THE SUBJECT OF NAQVI'S ARTICLE AT THE MEA TODAY,
UN. POLITICAL AFFAIRS DIRECTOR MULYE CONFIRMED THAT
MEHTA WAS LEAVING FOR RIYADH BUT DECLINED TO COMMENT
ON NQVI'S INTERPRETATION OF THE PURPOSE OF THE VISIT.
MULYE NOTED ONLY THAT MEHTA HAD BEEN ORIGINALLY SCHEDULED
TO VISIT RIYADH IN JUNE.
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